

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY  
Washington, D. C.  
Minutes - The Faculty Senate  
Regular Meeting, Friday, February 12, 1971  
Faculty Conference Room, sixth floor of the Library

- Minute 1 President Elliott presided. He called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m., and extended a welcome to Professor Schiff who is serving the balance of Professor Griffith's term.
- Minute 2 The minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 1971, were approved as distributed.
- Minute 3 Professor Shane moved, Professor Stevens seconding, the adoption of Resolution 70/6. Professor Shane reported that the resolution had been placed on the agenda for the December 11, 1970, meeting but had not been acted upon at that point. The Executive Committee, after further study, was submitting the resolution in modified form. Professor Shane pointed out that the proposal called for six standing committees to replace the present structure. In part the committees were chosen for parallelism with the committee structure of the Board of Trustees. He called attention to the final paragraph which dealt with membership:

"Membership in the standing committees shall consist of voting members who shall be elected by the Faculty Senate and, with the exception of the Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom Committee, nonvoting members who shall be appointed by the President or by the Faculty Senate."

Professor Shane said that under this proviso the Senate could elect anyone it chose. He called attention to the fact that the Faculty Organization Plan provided that "The majority of voting members of every standing committee shall be members of the Faculty in full-time service."

Professor Kirsch moved, Professor Reesing seconding, the following addition to the last paragraph of 70/6: "The voting members of the Senate Committee on Faculty, however, must be full-time faculty members." Professors Shane and Stevens accepted the amendment. The Chair ruled that the Kirsch amendment was adopted.

Professor LeBlanc moved, Professor Wood seconding, the deletion of the proposed Senate Standing Committee on Student Relationships. After discussion by Professors LeBlanc, Wood and Shane, Professors Shane and Stevens accepted the LeBlanc amendment and the Chairman ruled that the amendment had been adopted.

After discussion of the amended resolution by Professors Robinson, Perros and Allen, Professor Allen moved, Professor Rashid seconding, the adoption of the following amendment to the last paragraph of 70/6:

"Provided, however, the committees on Academic Affairs, Admissions and Scholarship, and University Operations include at least two students as voting members."

After discussion by Professors Wood, LeBlanc, Robinson, Allen, Hill, Morgan, Perros and Fox, Professor Kirsch, seconded by Professor Stevens, moved an amendment to the amendment -- that the Committee on Admissions and Scholarship be struck from the Allen amendment. Professors Allen and Rashid accepted the amendment and the Chair ruled the Kirsch amendment to the amendment was adopted.

After further discussion of 70/6 by Professors Shane, Kahn, Kurtz, Cottrell, Highfill, Stevens, LeBlanc, Mr. Stephen Phillips and Dr. Pierpont, Professor Robinson, seconded by Professor Kirsch, called the question. After objection by Professor Morgan the Chair put the motion to call the question to a vote and the motion was defeated 11 to 11.

Discussion was resumed and Professor Kahn, seconded by Professor Allen, moved an amendment to the Allen amendment: "Student members on the Academic Affairs Committee and the University Operations Committee shall be nominated by the Student Nominations Board and appointed by the President."

After discussion of the Kahn amendment by Professors Perros, Allen, Stevens, Cottrell, Fox, Morgan, Robinson, Shane and LeBlanc, the Chair put the question and the Kahn amendment was lost. Debate resumed on the original Shane resolution. The question was called on the Allen amendment and it lost by a vote of 8 to 16.

After further discussion by Professors Perros, Cloutier, Robinson, Jones and Kahn, Professor Kahn moved, seconded by Professor LeBlanc, to recommit the resolution to the Executive Committee. After discussion by Professors Highfill, Jones, Bergmann, Fox and Shane, the question was called on the motion to recommit. By a vote of 8 for, 13 opposed, the motion was lost.

The question was called on the main motion by Professor Robinson, Professor Stevens seconding. The Chair put the question on Resolution 70/6 and by a vote of 11 ayes, 13 nays, the motion was lost.

Minute 4 Professor Stevens, Professor Morgan seconding, moved the adoption of Resolution 70/9. Professor Stevens reported the purpose of the resolution was to clarify problems about length of service under the Faculty Organization Plan provision limiting a member of the Senate to two consecutive terms. There was no discussion of the motion. The Chair put the motion and 70/9 was adopted.

Minute 5 Professor Stevens moved the nomination of Professor Margaret W. Montzka as Acting Chairman of the Senate Committee on Admissions and Advanced Standing to replace Professor Allen who had resigned the chairmanship. Professor Montzka was elected by a unanimous vote.



Minute 6 Professor Stevens asked for suspension of rules to permit the election of Professor Stefan O. Schiff to the Educational Policy Committee. The request was granted. Professor Schiff was nominated and elected unanimously.

Minute 7 Brief Statements:

Professor LeBlanc inquired as to whether the policy on overage professors had been discussed in the Senate. President Elliott answered that he had no knowledge of its being discussed in the Senate.

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Professor Robinson asked for suspension of the rules to permit the introduction of a resolution concerning parking meters. Professor Kahn objected. The Chair put the motion to suspend the rules and the motion was lost. Professor Robinson thereupon resorted to a brief statement. He said he believed the Joint Committee should look into the suggestion which had been made to put additional parking meters on streets in the vicinity of the University. He said that after a conversation with Mr. Mello it seemed appropriate that the Joint Committee attempt to determine student points of view and make any recommendations it might have on the matter.

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Professor Robinson stated that he felt the registration for the Fall Semester of 1970 had improved considerably as the result of recommendations of the Faculty Senate. However problems remained, and he believed a suitable Senate committee might find it appropriate to look into them.

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Professor Stevens said in reply to Professor LeBlanc's question concerning overage professors that the matter had not been considered by the Senate. The matter was pending before Professor Morgan's Committee on Appointment, Salary and Promotion Policies but the committee had not yet had time to formulate a recommendation to the Senate. Professor Morgan said that the committee did have every intention of dealing with the question this year.

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President Elliott said that on the matter of retirement, Vice President Bright (who could not be present at the meeting) had been under considerable pressure from deans and department chairmen to clarify the matter for the entire University. Different practices were in effect in different parts of the University. The President stated he and Dr. Bright would be very receptive to any proposals the faculty might present as a solution to this University problem, which needed clarification. Pending that clarification the President said he and Vice President Bright believed that there had to be a policy to guide the University now. Because of the need for a unified policy throughout the University, Vice President Bright had chosen the action announced.

Minute 8 The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

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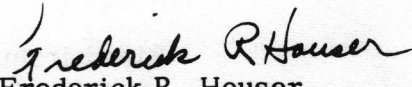
The Faculty Senate

February 4, 1971

The Faculty Senate will meet on Friday, February 12, 1971, at 2:10 p.m.,  
in the Faculty Conference Room on the sixth floor of the Library.

Agenda

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 1971
- 3) A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMMITTEES OF THE  
FACULTY SENATE (70/6) as amended in the Executive  
Committee (attached)
- 4) A RESOLUTION CONCERNING TERMS OF OFFICE FOR  
MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY SENATE (70/9) (attached)
- 5) Nominations for Chairman of the Senate Committee on  
Admissions and Advanced Standing, replacing Richard C. Allen,  
Professor of Law, and newly appointed University Representative
- 6) Brief Statements
- 7) Adjournment

  
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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMMITTEES OF THE FACULTY SENATE (70/6)

Whereas, the University can best be served by an efficient committee structure within the Faculty Senate, and

Whereas, the present structure has become unwieldy and has some overlapping jurisdictions, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY THAT:

1. Section 11 of the Bylaws of the Senate is amended to read as follows:
2. Section 11. Standing and Special Committees

In addition to any other committees that the Senate may establish on its own initiative, or by direction of the Assembly, or by request of the President, there shall be standing committees for the following areas:

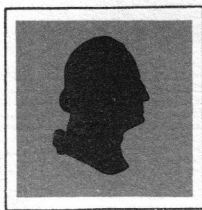
- (1) Academic Affairs--relating to educational policy, research, and university objectives.
- (2) Faculty--relating to appointments, remuneration, promotion, performance, and development.
- (3) Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom.
- (4) Student Relationships.
- (5) Admissions and Scholarship--relating to admissions, advanced standing, and scholarship.
- (6) University Operations--relating to administration, athletics, finances, library, physical facilities, public ceremonies, university development, and the university's relations with the community.

Membership in the standing committees shall consist of voting members who shall be elected by the Faculty Senate and, with the exception of the Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom Committee, nonvoting members who shall be appointed by the President or by the Faculty Senate.

Executive Committee

February 2, 1971





*Faculty Senate*

February 5, 1971

Title of Resolution or Motion:

A Resolution Concerning Committees of the  
Faculty Senate (70/6)

Text of Proposed Amendment:

The last paragraph of the above resolution should have  
the following sentence added:

The voting members of the Senate Committee  
on Faculty, however, must be full-time faculty  
members.

Maker of Amendment Motion:

Arthur D. Kirsch, Professor of Statistics,  
Member of the Faculty Senate

Name of Seconder:

John P. Reesing, Jr., Professor of English,  
Member of the Faculty Senate

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING TERMS OF OFFICE  
FOR MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY SENATE (70/9)

Whereas, the Faculty Organization Plan provides that the term of office for faculty members of the Senate shall be two years, and that no faculty member shall serve more than two consecutive terms; and

Whereas, from time to time members of the Senate are elected to serve the remainder of the terms of former members of the Senate or newly created half-terms, resulting in uncertainty as to the eligibility of such persons for subsequent election; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY THAT:

It is the opinion of the Faculty Senate that "two consecutive terms" which a faculty member may serve under the provision of Article III, Section 2(c) means two complete terms, the remainder of the terms of former members of the Senate or newly created half-terms excluded.

Executive Committee

February 2, 1971